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STORAGE MEDIUM AND PROGRAM  
FOR PRINTING METHOD, AND  
PRINTING CONTROL APPARATUS

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For the concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents, the Examiner is referred to the accompanying English abstracts, and to the cited counterpart documents (U.S. Patent 5,847,836 is a counterpart of JP-A-9-65182, and European Patent EP-0-862-313 is a counterpart of JPA-10-243327).

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. application:

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A copy of the cited application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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